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**SUPPLEMENTAL**  
**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO/SB/08a form submitted herewith. A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08a form, other than U.S. patents, is enclosed.

Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

The following reference is not in the English language:

- 1) JP 60-259071

Reference 1) has an English language abstract attached and was cited by a foreign patent examining authority in connection with the examination of a counterpart of the above identified application. A copy of this English language search report, indicating the degree of relevance determined by the foreign patent office is submitted herewith. MPEP Section 609(a)iii, second paragraph.

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The required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is provided herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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(#1) Reference  
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